Cooperative Natural Resources Damage Assessment and Restoration Workshop

Working Together to Restore Injured Natural Resources

When natural resources and their services are potentially injured by hazardous substances or oil, how can affected parties expeditiously and effectively restore these resources and services? How can the damage assessment and restoration process be streamlined? What does it take to bring affected parties to the table, and keep them at the table to resolve liabilities and ensure development of a common vision for restoration?

These questions and more will be the focus of a workshop on **Cooperative Natural Resource Damage Assessment and Restoration** to be held on June 9 and 10, 2004, at Rancho Bernardo Inn in San Diego, California. The workshop will include participants from federal and state government, industry, American Indian tribes, and environmental groups. Workshop participants will discuss experiences and develop ideas to enhance cooperation.

The workshop will help participants to —

- Develop an understanding of the applicability of cooperative damage assessments
- Gain an understanding of the challenges and opportunities confronting cooperative damage assessments
- Learn about ways to effectively address these challenges and opportunities
- Identify workable cooperative damage assessment approaches, mechanisms, and tools
- Learn techniques on how to form and work within a multi-stakeholder setting

Workshop Planners

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Association of State & Territorial Solid Waste Management Officials
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American Chemistry Council
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